

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Lee for her courteous and congenial telephone interview with Applicants' representative on May 9, 2005.

Claims 1, 3-6, 8-10, and 13-20 are pending in this application.

Claims 2, 7, and 11-12 are canceled with this amendment.

Claims 18-20 are added. Support in the specification for new claim 18 is at page 8, line 30 to page 9, line 1. Support in the specification for new claims 19-20 is at page 17, lines 1-3.

Claims 1, 9, and 14 are amended to recite that the pendent functional groups are derived from diisocyanates, triisocyanates, or polyisocyanates from canceled claim 7, and also to correct typographical errors.

Support for the amendment of claim 6 is at page 17, lines 1-3.

Claims 2-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 2 is canceled. Accordingly, the rejection with respect to claim 2 is moot.

Claim 3 is amended to depend from new claim 18. New claim 18 corrects the antecedent basis issue of canceled claim 2. The hydroxyalkyl (meth)acrylates of new claim 18 refer to component A of claim 1.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 3-4 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

Claims 1 and 5-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. 4,717,643 to Scheve et al.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

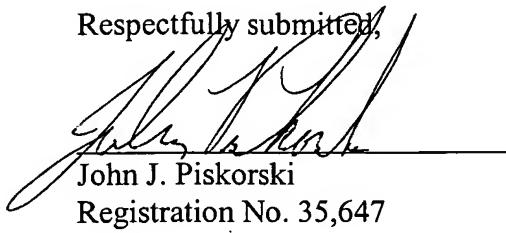
In order for a document to anticipate claimed subject matter, the document must teach each and every element of the claimed subject matter. Independent claims 1, 9 and 14 are amended to recite that the pendent functional groups of the claimed compound are derived from diisocyanates, triisocyanates or polyisocyanates. Scheve et al. do not teach a compound having pendent functional groups derived from diisocyanates, triisocyanates or polyisocyanates. Accordingly, Scheve et al. do not anticipate the presently claimed invention.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 5-6, 8-10, and 13-17 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. 4,717,643 to Scheve et al.

Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1, 3-6, 8-10, and 13-20 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this response or this application, or should she believe this application is for any reason not yet in condition for allowance, she is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below to expedite allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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